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Application of

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Serial No. : 08/472,876  
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Title : **APPARATUS AND METHOD OF ENHANCING ELECTRONIC  
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Docket : TRD 001 IA  
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Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**REQUEST TO HAVE FIRST SUBMISSION ENTERED AND CONSIDERED**  
**ON THE MERITS AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.129**

This is a request to have a first submission entered and considered on the merits after final rejection pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.129.

The present application is a continuation-in-part of PCT application PCT/US94/12328, filed October 27, 1994, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 08/021,209, filed February 23, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,361,306.

Please enter as the first submission the Amendment After Final filed via facsimile on December 22, 1997.

A check in the amount of \$395, which is the fee set out in §1.17(r), is enclosed.

The first submission and the fee required under § 1.17(r) are being filed prior to the filing of an appeal and prior to the abandonment of this application.

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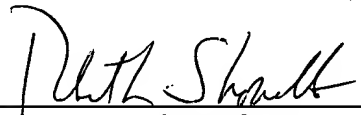
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Consideration on the merits of the Amendment After Final  
filed on December 22, 1997 is respectfully requested.

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